## Black Bass Roundtable (2015)

## **Tentative Agenda**

## Chesapeake Bay Foundation - Philip Merrill Environmental Education Center 6 Herndon Avenue, Annapolis, MD 21403

10:00 am	Opening Remarks, sign-in sheet
10:10 am	Announcements

- I. PRFC Meeting Summary (Joe Love)
- II. Dyke Marsh Restoration Progress and impacts to the bass fishery (Steve Chaconas, Joe Love)
  - a. Notes from Brent Steury (National Park Service)
- III. Black Bass Guide Website (Joe Love, Steve Chaconas)
  - a. Clarity see draft
- IV. Comments from MD DNR on cormorant impacts on sportfish (Joe Love)
  - a. MD DNR notes and reports from Jonathan McKnight and Dave Brinker (Wildlife and Heritage Service)
  - b. Angler Opinions comment submission to USFWS? (Drew Lofton and others)
- V. 365 day license legislation (Gina Hunt)
- VI. Problems with bass release site because of dredging at Dundee (Dick Berich)
  - a. MD DNR notes from Christina McCullough (Park Manager, Gunpowder State Park)
- VII. Proposed locations to be stocked in 2015 (Joe Love, Dick Berich)
  - a. Worton, Fairlee
  - b. Choptank
  - c. Gunpowder
  - d. Patuxent
- VIII. SAV Information (2013/2014) *Hydrilla* (Steve Chaconas, Joe Love)
  - a. MD DNR TBP observations and notes (powerpoint figures)
  - b. Observations from Resource Assessment Service (Lee Karrh) and Chris Snow (Chesapeake and Coastal Watershed Services)

## 11:10 am Discussion

- I. Elk Neck State Park (ramp issues)(Dick Berich)
  - a. Invited Guests, Robert Bailey (Park Asst. Manager) and Margit Pruett (Park Manager)
- II. Boat Washing Station at Deep Creek Lake to avoid zebra mussel infestation? (Mark Lewandowski, Joe Love)
  - a. Use and outreach?
  - b. Funding?
- III. Federal off-limits areas, allowed access (Dick Berich)
  - a. Gunpowder, Aberdeen, Quantico
  - b. Closed zones are larger than NOAA maps depict
  - c. Comments from John Rohm (Head, Fish, Wildlife & Agronomy Section at Quantico Base)
- IV. Speed Limits near spawning areas (Dick Berich)
  - a. Available data from Marshyhope Creek
  - b. Paperwork upper creeks and near shore flats (specifics)
- V. Artificial habitat deployment and permitting (Dick Berich)
  - a. MD DNR notes from Erik Zlokovitz
  - b. Permitting
- VI. Catch-and-Return Areas (Possibly Proposed 2015)(Joe Love)
  - a. Potomac River and upper Bay?
  - b. Supportive studies in closed areas? notes from John Mullican (MD DNR), John Rohm, Josh Newhard (US FWS, MRFO)
- VII. Black Bass Stamp (Possibly Proposed 2016)(Joe Love, Scott Sewell?)
  - a. Enumerates black bass anglers
  - b. Targets black bass anglers for notification on threats to fishery
  - c. Targets black bass anglers for delivering conservation materials from B.A.S.S. (such as videos)
- 1:00 pm Additional Discussion
- 1:30 pm Adjourn